

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the first and second full paragraphs on page 10 of the specification as filed with the following paragraphs:

B.1 In another preferred embodiment, the gap may be sealed with a filler. Suitable fillers for filling the gap in this way are the pharmaceutically acceptable fillers such as ~~Eudragit~~ EUDRAGIT® methacryate polymer. A filler of this kind can be inserted in the gap as a solution or suspension in a suitable, preferably highly volatile solvent. Suitable solvents include fluorochlorohydrocarbons such as methylene chloride or chloroform, fluorohydrocarbons, alcohols such as methanol, ethanol, propanol, isopropanol, alkanes such as propane, hexane, heptane, ketones such as acetone, esters such as ethyl acetate, ethers such as dimethylether or diethylether or other liquids known from the prior art to be suitable for solutions or suspensions, especially volatile liquids and those which do not attack the capsule material, do not interact chemically with pharmaceutical compositions or alter their bioavailability. The solution or suspension with the filler must be of a nature and concentration such that the solution or suspension delivers sufficient filler into the gap so that, after the solvent has evaporated, the filler left behind provides a tight seal and at the same time the solution or suspension should not be of a nature and concentration such that it is too viscous to penetrate into the gap or be drawn into it by capillary action.

Preferably, a solution of ~~Eudragit~~ EUDRAGIT® polymer and acetone is used to seal the gap.